

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S1859–S1923*

**Measures Introduced:** Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2384–2392 and S. Res. 392–393. **Page S1893**

#### **Measures Passed:**

**Trademark Dilution Revision Act:** Senate passed H.R. 683, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 with respect to dilution by blurring or tarnishment, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S1921–23**

**Legislative Transparency and Accountability Act:** Senate continued consideration of S. 2349, to provide greater transparency in the legislative process, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S1861**

#### **Adopted:**

Dodd/Santorum Modified Amendment No. 2942, to strike the meals and refreshments exception for lobbyists. **Pages S1866, S1869–70, S1871–72**

Inhofe Amendment No. 2934, to deny Members who oppose cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs) the increase. **Pages S1870–71**

#### **Rejected:**

By 44 yeas to 55 nays (Vote No. 35), Reid Amendment No. 2932, to provide additional transparency in the legislative process. **Pages S1866–68**

#### **Pending:**

Wyden/Grassley Amendment No. 2944, to establish as a standing order of the Senate a requirement that a Senator publicly disclose a notice of intent to object to proceeding to any measure or matter. **Pages S1872–81**

Schumer Amendment No. 2959 (to Amendment No. 2944), to prohibit any foreign-government-owned or controlled company that recognized the Taliban as the legitimate government of Afghanistan during the Taliban's rule between 1996–2001, may own, lease, operate, or manage real property or facility at a United States port. **Page S1881**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a

vote on cloture may occur on Thursday, March 9, 2006. **Page S1881**

Senate expects to continue consideration of the bill on Thursday, March 9, 2006.

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**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Pages S1920–21**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—35) **Page S1868**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:01 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 9, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1923.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING

**Committee on Appropriations:** Committee continued hearings to examine the proposed supplemental funding request for additional resources to assist the Gulf Coast region in its recovery from hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico in 2005, receiving testimony from Michael Chertoff, Secretary of Homeland Security; Alphonso Jackson, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; and John Paul Woodley, Assistant Secretary of the Army, Civil Works.

Hearings will continue tomorrow.